

Predeparture Passenger Baggage Inspection Notice for Travelers from Hawaii to the U.S. Mainland

American agriculture is under constant threat of attack from countless enemies. These enemies are often microscopic and include plant pests and diseases. Every traveler, even those traveling from Hawaii to the U.S. mainland, may unknowingly carry these hitchhikers that could seriously damage American agriculture.

All passenger baggage moving from Hawaii to the U.S. mainland is subject to predeparture inspection. These inspections are performed prior to departure at the airport by inspectors from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). Please be prepared to open and close your own bags. Do not tape coolers and boxes closed until after inspection.

In addition, all agricultural items being **mailed** to the U.S. mainland must be inspected prior to being transported to the U.S. Post Office.

If you have any agricultural items with you, please tell the inspector. Failure to do so can result in delays and fines of \$1,000 or more.

Agricultural Items from Hawaii Permitted into the Mainland (after passing inspection):

Beach sand
Coconuts
Cooked Foods
Dried seeds
Dried decorative arrangements
Fresh flowers (except gardenia, jade vine, and mauna loa)
"Irish" or white potatoes
Pineapples
Plants and cuttings—Must be certified to be free of pests by the Hawaii Department of Agriculture.
For arrangements, call:
Honolulu (808) 832-0566
Hilo (808) 974-4141
Kauai (808) 274-3069
Maui (808) 873-3556
Kona (808) 326-1077

Seashells (except land snail shells)

Note: Papayas require treatments before shipment to the mainland. Commercially canned and thoroughly cooked foods are permitted.

Agricultural Items from Hawaii Not Permitted into the Mainland:

Berries of any kind, including coffee berries and sea grapes
Cactus plants or parts
Cotton and cotton bolls
Fresh flowers of gardenia, jade vine, and mauna loa
Fresh pulpy fruits and vegetables (except pineapple)
Kikania and pandanus
Live insects and snails
Plants in soil
Seeds with pulp and fresh seed pods
Soil
Sugarcane
Swamp cabbage (unchoy)
Sweet potato (raw)

The preceding lists are subject to change. For more information, visit or write to the Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) office of USDA/APHIS on Oahu at:

USDA, APHIS, PPQ
300 Rodgers Boulevard #57
Honolulu, HI 96819
or call:

Hilo	(808) 933-6931
Honolulu	(808) 861-8490
Kailua-Kona	(808) 326-1252
Lihue	(808) 245-2831
Maui	(808) 877-5261

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